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Dear Mr. Haiq,

I am writing to you regarding the resolution President Reagan signed today granting Raoul Wallenberg honorary U.S. citizenship.

In the Chicago Sun-Times of September 23, 1981 you are quoted as saying, "it will serve to dramatize the seriousness with which the American government and people view Soviet behavior in this case." My concern is that this action by Congress and the President should be more than a dramatization of the seriousness of American viewpoint but hopefully a concrete diplomatic step to ascertain the true story regarding the Soviet abduction of Raoul Wallenberg.

I have been researching the Wallenberg story for the past year for an upcoming television film about his efforts in Budapest in 1944. The evidence shows that Wallenberg's mission was precipitated and supported by the American government with the expressed intention of fulfilling President Roosevelt's Executive Order establishing the War Refugee Board. Wallenberg was working on behalf of the American people as well as all other democratic nations of the world.

I believe it is now our turn to not only commemorate his deeds but to exhaust all available avenues to determine his fate.

If I can be of any assistance to our office with regards to the information I have compiled, I would be more than willing. It is my sincere hope that our government, armed with a fresh mandate from the American people, will pursue this case to its resolution.

Sincerely,

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